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In re Application of:

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For: EXPOSURE PATTERN DATA
GENERATION APPARATUS
ASSOCIATED WITH STANDARD
CELL LIBRARY AND CHARGED
BEAM EXPOSURE

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Washington, DC 20231

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AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action dated December 12, 2002, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 1, 7, and 15, as follows:

1. (Amended) A charged beam exposure for delineating patterns of a system on a substrate to describe the system in a logic expression, to convert the logic expression into a connection of standard cells, and to delineate patterns of the standard cells on the substrate, comprising:

a beam generation source generating a charged beam;



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